

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: <b>2622</b>
<b>Koichi Matsumoto</b>	)	
	)	Examiner: <b>Kelly L. Jerabek</b>
Application No. <b>10/540,765</b>	)	
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Filed: <b>June 24, 2005</b>	)	
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For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE,	)	
METHOD FOR TRANSFERRING CHARGE IN	)	
SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE AND	)	
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SOLID-	)	
STATE IMAGING DEVICE	)	

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office communication dated December 4, 2008. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects Species I - Figures 1A-3, and designates claims 1-4 and 9-12 for further examination.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims and/or to request rejoinder of non-elected claims, and/or to request rejoinder of any non-elected claims as may be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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